PATENT

Docket No.: 50353-571

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Yoshiki ONUMA, et al.

Confirmation Number: 3405

Serial No.: 09/819,647

Group Art Unit: 2635 Allowed: May 18, 2004

Filed: March 29, 2001

Examiner: Nam V. Nguyen

For: ELECTRONIC KEY SYSTEM FOR VEHICLE

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

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Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated May 18, 2004.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed June 14, 2004. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement.

Applicants hereby respectfully request that:

- the appropriately acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicants; and (1)
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date and after the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee.

REQUEST TO CONSIDER REFERENCES AFTER CLOSE OF PROSECUTION AND BEFORE PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE

The undersigned hereby requests consideration and entry of this Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying references under 37 CFR 1.97(d).

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